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OFFICE OF PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

B. thuringiensis Registration /Standard

Forestry Labeling

FROM:

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TO:

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Per RD's request, EEB has evaluated the concerns raised in Abbott Laboratories' 5/16/89 and Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Resources 5/12/89 letters regarding the required Environmental Hazard Statement for forestry use B.t. product labels. EEB has no objection if this statement be modified to read as follows.

Do not apply directly to water or wetlands (swamps, bogs, marshes, and potholes). Aerial application over such sites is permissible only over the forest canopy. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwaters.